

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim1 (Currently Amended): A process for preparing a cleansing composition having pearlescence, which comprises:

mixing an aqueous liquid in which ~~the following~~ an ingredient (A) is suspended with ~~the following~~ an ingredient (B), which ~~has been~~ is molten ~~beforehand~~ prior to mixing, or an aqueous liquid in which ~~the~~ said molten ingredient (B) is contained~~[[,]]~~; and

cooling the resultant mixture to cause ~~the~~ said ingredient (B) to deposit, wherein:

~~Ingredient~~ said ingredient (A)~~[[:]]~~ is an at least one ester ingredient selected from the group consisting of an ethylene glycol monoalkylate ~~or~~ and ethylene glycol dialkylate, which may have a distribution in the number of carbon atoms in its constituent fatty ~~acid~~ acids, with the proviso that fatty acids having carbon numbers of 18 and greater account for less than 70 wt.% of all of said constituent fatty acids; and

~~Ingredient~~ said ingredient (B)~~[[:]]~~ is an at least one ester ingredient selected from the group consisting of an ethylene glycol monoalkylate ~~or~~ and ethylene glycol dialkylate, which may have a distribution in the number of carbon atoms in its constituent fatty ~~acid~~ acids, with the proviso that fatty acids having carbon numbers of 18 and greater account for 70 wt.% or more of all of said constituent fatty acids.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The process according to claim 1, wherein the aqueous liquid in which ~~the~~ said ingredient (A) is suspended and/or ~~the~~ said aqueous liquid in which ~~the~~ said molten ingredient (B) is contained further comprises a surfactant.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): A cleansing composition having pearlescence, which is ~~obtainable~~ obtained by a method comprising:

adding ~~the following~~ an ingredient (B), which ~~has been~~ is molten ~~beforehand~~ prior to mixing, or an aqueous liquid in which ~~the~~ said molten ingredient (B) is contained, to an aqueous liquid in which ~~the following~~ an ingredient (A) is suspended~~[[,]]~~; and

cooling the resultant mixture to cause ~~the~~ said ingredient (B) to deposit, wherein:

~~Ingredient~~ said ingredient (A)~~[[:]]~~ is an at least one ester ingredient selected from the group consisting of an ethylene glycol monoalkylate ~~or~~ and ethylene glycol dialkylate, which may have a distribution in the number of carbon atoms in its constituent fatty ~~acid~~ acids, with the proviso that fatty acids having carbon numbers of 18 and greater account for less than 70 wt.% of all of said constituent fatty acids; and

~~Ingredient~~ said ingredient (B)~~[[:]]~~ is an at least one ester ingredient selected from the group consisting of an ethylene glycol monoalkylate ~~or~~ and ethylene glycol dialkylate, which may have a distribution in the number of carbon atoms in its constituent fatty ~~acid~~ acids, with the proviso that fatty acids having carbon numbers of 18 and greater account for 70 wt.% or more of all of said constituent fatty acids.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The cleansing composition according to claim 3, wherein ~~the~~ said aqueous liquid in which ~~the~~ said ingredient (A) is suspended and/or ~~the~~ said aqueous liquid in which ~~the~~ said molten ingredient (B) is contained further comprises a surfactant.